









## THE FIGHTING IN THE SUDAN

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**HEAVY BRITISH CASUALTIES.**  
*London, April 8*—The Sirdar Kitchenor with his whole force attacked the Emir Mahmud's zeroba at dawn to-day, and rushed the trenches most gallantly. The Dervishes stood their ground well.

The following are the names of the officers: Captain Urruhart, Camerons, Lieutenant Goro, Seaforths, killed; Major Napier and Captain Findlay. Camerous, Colonel Murray, Captains Macleachlan and Bailin, and Lieutenants Thomson and Vandellour, all of the Seaforths, Colonel Vernon

and Lieutenant Boxer, of the Lincolns, Lieutenant Green of the Warwicks, Majors Shokleton and Walter, Captain Walsh and Lieutenant Sharley, all of the Egyptian Army, wounded.

April 9.—In the attack on Emir Mahmud's zerbah, the British Brigade lost ten

privates killed, and ninety wounded, and the Egyptians 51 killed, and 14 officers and 319 wounded.

April 9.—Two thousand Dervish corpses were counted in Emir Mahmud's zeroba,

and fully one thousand more perished. The execution done by the Artillery fire was terrible, and the trenches and rifle pits were choked with the dead. Osman Digna escaped early in the battle, but all the other important Emirs were killed. Captain Findlay was dined of his wounds. The Sirdar Kitchener is returning to the Nile. The fourteen officers of the Egyptian Army wounded were all Native Officers.

April 11.—The British camp to-day congratulatory telegrams from the Queen, the Khedive, and Mr Balfour. The men cheered loudly.

**REINFORCING THE MEDICAL STAFF IN EGYPT.**  
*London, April 12.*—Fifteen non-commissioned officers and men of the Medical Staff Corps have been ordered to Egypt.

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**LATE TELEGRAMS.**  
*(Rangoon Gazette.)*

**THE DREYFUS CASE.**  
Paris, April 8.—The Ecorchazy Court-martial has decided to prosecute M Zola afresh and also demands his removal from the Legion of Honour list.

**THE N. W. FRONTIER.**  
Allahabad, April 9.—The Committee of the fund collected through the *Pioneer* to

commemorate the defenders of Forts Sur-  
ngri and Gullisan, have decided to give  
Rs. 200 to each of the families of those  
who were killed, or died of wounds re-  
ceived in the defence. There are 23  
families in all, so this distribution will  
absorb Rs. 5,000, which amount will be  
sent to the Colonel commanding the

86th Sikhs for distribution. This will leave something over Rs. 20,000, upon which the cost of erecting a permanent memorial will be made a first charge. It was first intended that this memorial should be erected at Amritsar, but the Government of India decided to place their memorial in that city, and the Committee have said they were "sorry" about it.

will be asked to submit a design and estimate of the probable cost.

**Singh, April 9**—Lieutenant Macpherson commanded the party of the 2nd Gurkhas which surprised and killed the four Afridis who endeavoured to ambuscade the flanking party on the 8th near Mamani.

Mamahi and Gandao have now been completely evacuated, the Afridis crowding into camp as the British forces left, but offering no annoyances. The Sipah Afridis voluntarily accompanied the force and helped to guard the flanks as it withdrew.

General Hart and his command are now concentrated at Ilamgud, the first station

up the Bara Valley, while the Second Division staff was to break up at Peshawar on Saturday. General Nicholson accompanies General Lockhart home.

Allahabad, April 9.—General Nairne, on General Lockhart's return from leave in July, will resign the Bombay Command and proceed straight home. His full term

of office would in any case expire on Sept. 4th. It has not yet been settled who will succeed eventually in Bombay. The vacancy is an Indian one. Sir Robert Low seems to be well in the running.

THE PAR ZAM.

London, April 8.—The Russian press in discussing the session of Wellesford are

The *Notre Premier* demands the abrogation of the Afghan Treaty of 1805. China has notified to Great Britain her intention to revise her tariff at the end of the year according to the treaty of Tientsin of 1858.

**THE MUGGER RIOTS AT BOMBAY.**  
*Bombay*, April 11.—On Saturday four natives were charged with being concerned in further assaults on Europeans on Wednesday night. The Victoria Hotel Manager was attacked by four natives who assaulted

**NATIVE REGIMENT FOR MAURITIUS.**  
*Alahabad*, April 13.—The regiment of Native Infantry for Mauritius will be taken from the Bengal Command, its selection

being left to the Lieutenant General Commanding.

**Simsa, April 19.**—Orders have issued for the early despatch of the 1st Bengal Infantry from Jhansi to Mauritius for garrison duty. The regiment will embark at Bombay in the Royal Indian Marine steamer *Clive*, a wing of the 8th Madras Infantry

from Nowgong replacing it at Jhansi.  
(Times of Ceylon.)

**THE REVIVAL OF TRADE AT BOMBAY.**  
Bombay, April 13.—The Bombay Port Trust returns show a substantial recovery of the Bombay trade during the past quarter, and there are general indications of a revival. The present month's receipts reached an increase on last April, denoting

imposed an increase on the April, allowing a return to normal trade conditions. The receipts of the railways connected with Bombay have latterly shown a steady increase.

**THE MURDER OF SOLDIERS IN THE RECENT BOMBAY RIOTS.**

**SENTENCES ON THE FIVE ACCUSED.**

**THE DEATH PENALTY DERIVED BY ALL.**

Bombay, April 15th, 9-17 a.m.—The trial of the five Mahomedans for murdering two men of the Shropshire Regiment during the late riots has concluded. The jury by six to three, found a verdict that all were guilty of murder. The three dissentient jurors, who were Parsees—the rest being Europeans—found for not guilty on all

counts. The judge sentenced one prisoner to death, and the rest to transportation for life. The opinion of the local European Press is that all deserved the death sentence.

**THE DAILY SOMNAT PLAGUE ESTIMATE.—**  
**STEADY INCREASE AT KUNABACH.**  
Bombay, April 15th, 9-17 a.m.—Yesterday

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## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables  
the Rates are given in cents, and are, for  
Letters per half ounce, for Books and  
Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over two ounces in weight  
are charged as double, 4 cents, etc., as the  
case may be; but such papers or packets of  
papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two  
Newspapers must not be folded together as  
one, nor must any other matter be inserted  
except book-like Supplements of the same  
paper and the same date. Printed matter  
may, however, be enclosed, if the whole  
be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current  
may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers  
as, though Written by Hand, do not bear  
the character of an official or personal cor-  
respondence, such as invoices, deeds, cog-  
nitions, &c. The charge on them is the same  
as for books.

The sender of a Registered Article for a  
Union Country may obtain an acknowledgment  
of delivery on paying an extra fee of  
5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Com-  
mercial Papers for Foreign Post Offices is  
4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited  
to 8 ounces except to Austria, Belgium,  
Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Italy, Spain,  
Switzerland, Russia, Rumania, Mexico,  
France, Portugal, Roumania, Salvador,  
Serbia, Siam, Spain, Switzerland,  
Turkey, The Argentine Republic, The Domini-  
can Republic, The Republic of Honduras,  
United States, to which places 12 oz. (350  
grams) is the limit, and must not exceed  
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Yowler's Oriental Record contains the  
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lar to that which has been filled in India by  
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tention that has been bestowed of late years  
upon the investigation of Chinese literature,  
antiquities, and social developments, to say  
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the Review, we are glad to notice that  
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Chinese subjects may evoke a still larger  
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may require the support necessary to carry  
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Countries of the Postal Union.  
The Union may be taken to comprise all  
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Postage to the United Kingdom—  
Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz.  
Post Cards, 4 cents each.  
Registration, 10 cents.  
Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

Postage to Union Countries.  
General Rates, by any route—  
Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz.  
Post Cards, 4 cents each.  
Reply Post Cards, 8 cents each.  
Registration, 10 cents.  
Newspapers, 2 cents per 2 oz.  
Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz.  
Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

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spondence within the Postal Union.

## LOCAL POSTAGE.

The General Local Rates for Hongkong,  
China and Treaty Ports (Ganton excluded)  
are—  
Letters per 1 oz., 8 cents (each).  
Post Cards, each, 1 cent.  
Reply Post Cards, 2 cents each.  
Books and Patterns, per 2 oz., 2 cents.  
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In the Suburbs, 2 a.m., noon, 5 p.m., unless  
the delivery should be retarded by the Con-  
tract Mails.

2. Bookholders who desire to send Cir-  
culars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards,  
&c., at the rate of one penny, to addresses in  
Hongkong, or the Ports of China, may  
deliver them to the Post Office unstamp-  
ed, the postage being charged to the  
sender's account. Each batch must con-  
sist of at least ten.

3. Bookholders may also send Patterns to  
the same places in the same way. En-  
velopes containing Patterns may be wholly  
closed, if the nature of the contents be first  
declared, or stated to the Postmaster Gen-  
eral, as he may consider necessary, and  
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the United Kingdom by P. O. Packet  
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four weekly in London about eight days later  
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be opened for examination.